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441—114.2 (237) Definitions.

"Adequate lighting" means a light intensity of 20 foot-candles (approximately equivalent to a 60 watt bulb at a clear distance of 5 feet).

"Caseworker" means any staff of the facility who is primarily responsible for planning for individual children, a family, or groups, as well as coordination with referral sources and coordination of services to the individual.

"Casework supervisor" means any staff of the facility who provides supervision of the caseworker(s) by regularly scheduled face-to-face case specific discussions with the caseworker.

"Chemical restraint" means the use of chemical agents including psychotropic drugs as a form of restraint. The therapeutic use of psychotropic medications as a component of a service plan for a particular child is not considered chemical restraint.

"Child care worker" means any staff of the facility whose primary responsibility is the direct care of children in the facility.

"Community residential facility" means a facility which provides care for children who are considered unable to live in a family situation due to social, emotional or physical disabilities but are capable of interacting in a community environment with a minimum amount of supervision. The facility provides 24-hour care including board and room. Community resources are used for education, recreation, medical, social and rehabilitation services. The facility is responsible for planning the daily activities of the children, discipline, guidance, peer relationships, and recreational programs.

"Control room" means a locked room used for treatment purposes in a comprehensive residential facility.

"Educational degrees" means formally approved certificates from accredited schools.

"Highly structured juvenile program" means a short-term treatment program lasting 90 days and having a high degree of structure that stresses discipline, physical activity, and education. The program must be licensed either as a community residential facility under this chapter or as a comprehensive residential facility under 441—Chapter 115. The program shall have the ability to use a physically secure setting dependent upon the level of the license.

"Locked cottage" means an occupied comprehensive residential facility or an occupied unit of a comprehensive residential facility which is physically restrictive because of the continual locking of doors to prevent the children in care from leaving the facility.

"Mechanical restraint" means restriction by the use of a mechanical device of a child's mobility or ability to use the hands, arms, or legs.

"Physical restraint" means direct physical contact required on the part of a staff member to prevent a child from hurting self, others, or property.

"Prime programming time" means any period of the day when special attention or supervision is necessary, for example, upon awakening in the morning until departure for school, during meals, after school, transition between activities, evenings and bedtime, or weekends and holidays, in order to maintain continuity of program and care. Prime programming time shall be defined by the facility.

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"Private juvenile detention home" means a juvenile detention home as defined in Iowa Code section 232.2, which does not meet the requirements of being "county or multicounty" as defined in 441—subrule 105.1(2).

"Private juvenile shelter care home" means a juvenile shelter care home as defined in Iowa Code section 232.2, which does not meet the requirements of being "county or multicounty" as defined in 441—subrule 105.1(2).

"Prone restraint" means a physical restraint in which a child is held face down on the floor.

"Staff" means any person providing care or services to or on behalf of the facility whether the person is an employee of the facility, an independent contractor or any other person who contracts with the facility, an employee of an independent contractor or any other person who contracts with the facility, or a volunteer.

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